

Our country supports free businesses and tries to oppose monopolies that might interfere with the right of free business. Lines should be shared with the rights of the holding company also given considerable thought. The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.